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For: COLLOIDAL COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF PREPARING SAME

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## <u>DECLARATION OF PRIOR INVENTION IN THE UNITED STATES OR IN A NAFTA OR</u> <u>WTO MEMBER COUNTRY TO OVERCOME CITED PATENT OR PUBLICATION</u> <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131</u>

Dear Sir:

This Declaration is to establish completion of the invention in this application in the United States prior to December 5, 2003, the effective date of Cundy et al., "Some observations on the preparation and properties of colloidal silicates. Part I: synthesis of colloidal silicalite-1 and titanosilicalite-1 (TS-1)," Microporous and Mesoporous Materials, 66 (2003): 143 to 156 ("Effective Date of Cundy").

To establish a date of completion of this invention prior to the Effective Date of Cundy, Applicants submit herewith copies of research notebook pages attached as Exhibit A hereto. This exhibit clearly and definitely establishes invention of the subject matter of the currently rejected claims prior to the Effective Date of Cundy.

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Applicants declare that the document submitted herewith as Exhibit A is dated prior to December 5, 2003. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully assert that this invention was completed prior to the Effective Date of Cundy.

## **DECLARATION**

As a person signing below, I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: 5/19/09

Signed:

Exhibit A THE CLADS/SiDa ATTECT NO. 3 BOOK NO. reparation of leads-SiDa Co-sal



